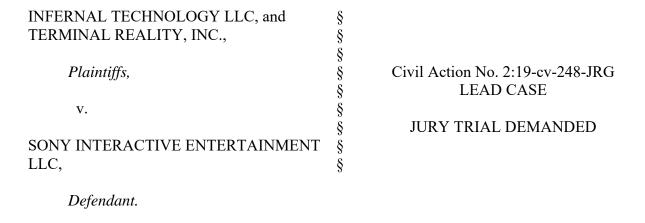
IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS MARSHALL DIVISION



SONY INTERACTIVE ENTERTAINMENT LLC'S MOTION FOR PRETRIAL HEARING BY VIDEO CONFERENCE

A pretrial hearing is scheduled for this case on Monday, November 23 at 9:00 am in Marshall, Texas. On November 18, the Parties filed a Joint Notice regarding the Court's Standing Order relating to the Novel Coronavirus. Dkt. 255. That Notice informed the Court that certain members of Plaintiffs' team that will be attending the in-person pretrial conference have either been recently exposed to a person that has tested positive for COVID-19 or have returned from traveling abroad from a country that is classified as a Level 3 – High Risk by the CDC. In that Notice, Defendant requested that the Court hold the Pretrial Conference by video conference. Plaintiffs contended that the Pretrial Conference go forward in person, but "will accept whatever position the Court believes is in the best interest of the parties, the Court, and the administration of justice." *Id.* at 2.

On November 19, Defendant filed a Motion to Continue the Trial presently set for December 4, 2020. Dkt. 259.

In order to formalize Defendant's request to hold the pretrial conference made in the Parties Joint Notice (Dkt. 255), and for the reasons stated therein and in Defendant's Motion to Continue the Trial (Dkt. 259), Defendant respectfully moves the Court to hold the pretrial conference presently set for November 23 by video conference.

Defendant respectfully requests that the Court treat this in an expedited manner due to the timing and travel implication for the Parties.

Dated: November 20, 2020 Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF CONFERENCE

I hereby certify that counsel for Defendant conferred with counsel for Plaintiffs regarding the foregoing Motion to Hold the Pretrial Hearing by Video Conference on November 20, 2020. Plaintiffs' counsel stated that it is opposed to the relief requested in this motion.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned certifies that the foregoing document was served on all counsel who have consented to electronic service, Local Rule CV-5(a)(3), on November 20, 2020.

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